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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 31824

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For: EXHAUST GAS PURIFICATION APPARATUS OF ENGINE

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 10, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.